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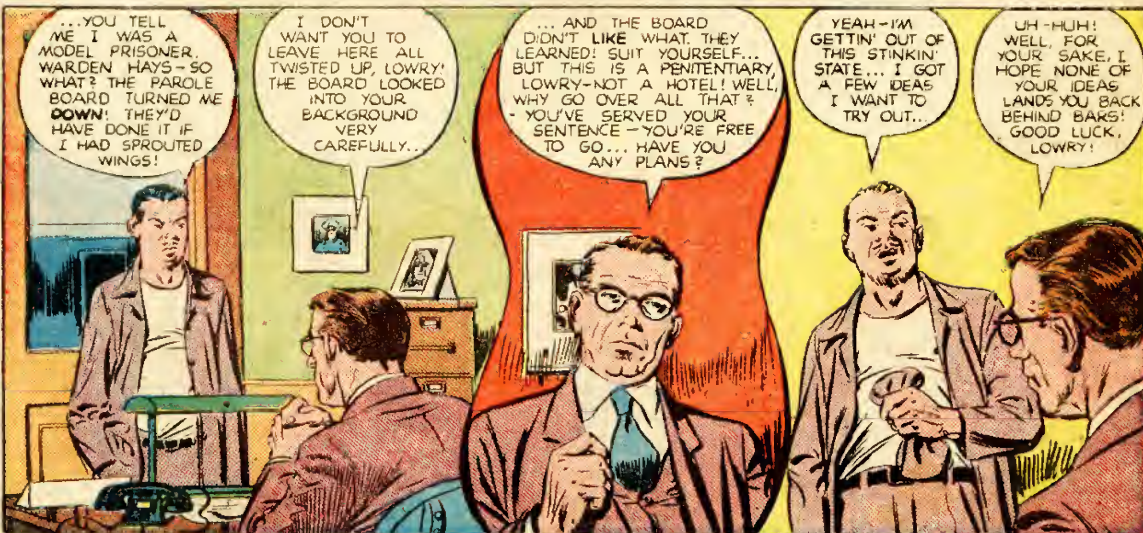
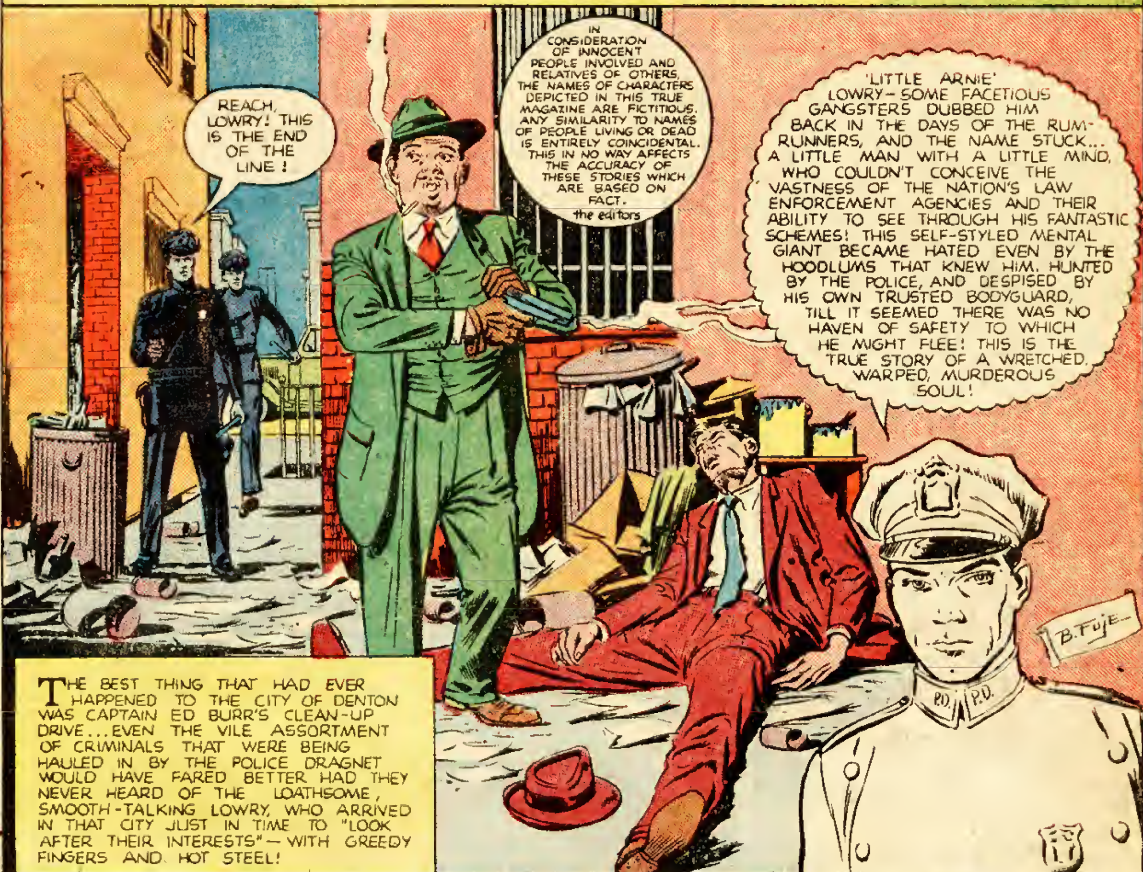
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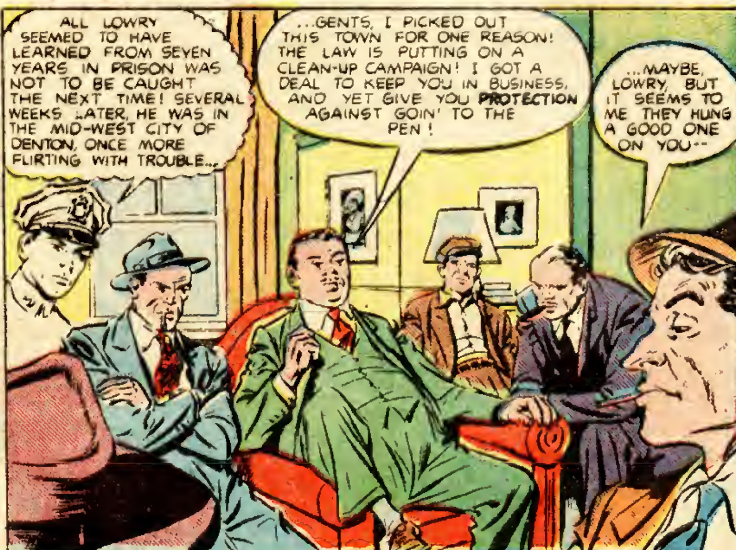
"LITTLE ARNIE" LOWRY

A SMALL PACKAGE OF DYNAMITE WITH SOME BIG IDEAS AND A COLD HEART THAT STOPPED BEATING WHEN THE LAW PAID OFF!!

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I TAKE TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT OF THE HAUL FROM EACH JOB YOU PULL... IF THE COPS CATCH UP WITH YA, I SEE THAT YA GET BAILED OUT! THEN YA CAN TAKE IT ON THE LAM! WE'LL BUILD A FUND BIGGER THAN ANY TEN GUYS PUT TOGETHER CAN DIG UP! THEN IF A COUPLE OF YOU GET IN A SCRAPE, THERE'S THE DOUGH JUST WAITIN'... YOUR DOUGH... AND ANY TIME YA WANT TO PULL OUT, YA GET A PERCENTAGE OF IT BACK! IT'LL BE INSURANCE AGAINST THE PEN-CAN YA BEAT THAT?



IT ALL SOUNDS GOOD TO ME, LOWRY, BUT I DON'T GO IN FOR GANG WORK! IN THE DIP RACKET, THERE'S MAYBE ME AND ONE OTHER GUY... DO I WORK ON MY OWN, OR I HAVE SOMEBODY TELL ME WHAT I GOT TO DO?

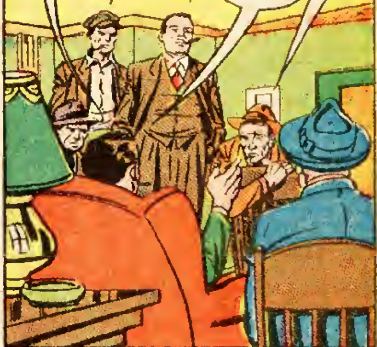
AND WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU, LOWRY?

EVERYBODY STICKS TO HIS OWN LINE, CASTLE... JUST LIKE BEFORE, ONLY THIS WAY, YA KEEP SEVENTY-FIVE PER CENT OF THE TAKE, AN' YA GOT PROTECTION! ALL I GET OUT OF IT IS TWENTY GRAND A YEAR FOR MONKEY AND ME...



THAT ABOUT COVERS EVERYTHING, GENTS, INCLUDING A PRETTY SMALL SALARY FOR ALL MY WORK IN RUNNIN' THINGS! NOW, HOW ABOUT A VOTE?

OKAY, HERE! I'M IN... I STILL GOT A QUESTION, LOWRY... SHOOT!



JUST THIS... SUPPOSIN' I CRACK A CRIB FOR TEN GRAND, AND INSTEAD OF KICKIN' IN WITH MY TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT, I TELL YOU I ONLY GOT TWO G'S... OR MAYBE I KEEP MUM ALTOGETHER... HOW ARE YOU GOIN' TO KNOW ABOUT IT?



- IF YOU SWIPE TEN GRAND, AND THE GUY WHOSE SAFE YOU CRACKED SURE ISN'T GOIN' TO SAY HE LOST LESS! SO IT GETS IN THE PAPERS... AND I SEND MONKEY AFTER YA!

THAT ANSWERS MY QUESTION! COUNT ME IN, TOO!



WELL, LET'S CELEBRATE, BOYS! HELP YOURSELVES! FROM NOW ON, THINGS ARE GOIN' OUR WAY!

YEAH - BUT THERE'LL STILL BE COPS AROUND! CAPTAIN BURR IS SURE GOIN' TO HAVE A FIT WHEN HIS CLEAN-UP CAMPAIGN GOES ON THE ROCKS!



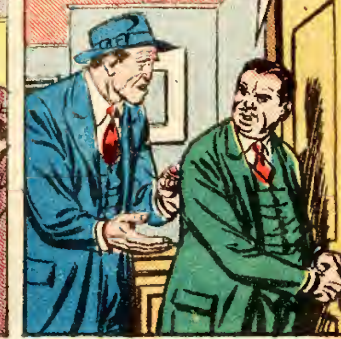
IT'S 4:30! YOU MUGS BETTER SCRAM... I'VE GOT A LOT OF FIGURIN' TO DO TONIGHT, AND A HEAVY DAY TOMORROW! WE'LL HAVE OUR FIRST MEETING FRIDAY! BE HERE AT THREE O'CLOCK - AND NEVER COME HERE UNLESS I CALL YOU, OR IT'S URGENT!

OKAY, LOWRY, WE'LL SEE YOU THEN! LET'S GET GOIN'!



... I DON'T GET IT, BOSS... TWENTY G'S FOR THE TWO OF US ISN'T ANY KIND OF DOUGH FOR A WHOLE YEAR'S WORK!

SHUT UP, YA DUMB APE! IF ONE OF THE SUCKERS HEARS YOU, IT'LL QUEER THE WHOLE DEAL!



WHAT DEAL? I DON'T GET IT! WHY DID YA TELL THEM THAT?

IT WAS JUST A COME ON, MONKEY, I'LL GIVE IT TO YOU EASY... WITH ALL OF 'EM KICKIN' IN, IT WILL TAKE ABOUT TWO MONTHS TO SAVE UP A COUPLE HUNDRED G'S! THEN WE'LL TAKE A POWDER... WITH THE DOUGH...



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SO THAT'S THE DEAL! I HAD A FEELIN' THAT SHRIMP WAS A RHONY! WELL, IT LOOKS LIKE I'M GOING TO BE ABLE TO TAKE IT EASY AFTER I GET THROUGH SHAKIN' DOWN LITTLE ARNIE!

FOR THE NEXT TWO MONTHS, THE THUGS IN ARNIE'S ORGANIZATION REJOICED IN THE PROTECTION THEY **THOUGHT** THEY WERE GETTING! THINGS SEEMED TO BE GOING LOWRY'S WAY... THE ORGANIZATION PUT UP BAIL A FEW TIMES, AND THE "DUES" KEPT PILING UP—THE FUND WAS WELL INTO FIVE FIGURES, AND LITTLE ARNIE WAS GETTING READY TO MOVE! IN THE MEANTIME, CAPTAIN BURR'S "CLEAN-UP" CAMPAIGN APPEARED TO BE SLOWING DOWN!

I JUST DON'T GET IT! YOU'RE A GOOD BUNCH OF COPS... YET WE HAVEN'T HAD BUT SIX MINOR CONVICTIONS IN TWO MONTHS!

CAPTAIN BURR

...WE'VE MADE SOME ARRESTS, CAPTAIN, AND THEY WERE IN CONNECTION WITH A COUPLE OF BIG JOBS, BUT IN EACH CASE SOMEBODY PUT UP THE BAIL IN A HURRY... WHICH THE SUSPECT PROMPTLY JUMPED! WE CAN'T GET CONVICTIONS WITHOUT PRISONERS!

THEN I WANT ENOUGH EVIDENCE TO HOLD 'EM ON VERY HIGH BAIL... ENOUGH FOR THE D.A. TO GET A QUICK CONVICTION...

THERE'S SOMETHING QUEER ABOUT THE WHOLE THING... WE PICKED UP A PICKPOCKET... JIMMY THE DIP... ON SUSPICION OF LIFTING A WALLET AT THE ROYALTON THEATER, THERE WAS JUST TWENTY-FOUR DOLLARS IN THE WALLET, BUT SOMEBODY CAME UP WITH \$500 BAIL WITHIN AN HOUR! WE HAVEN'T SEEN HIM SINCE!

IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE, GRADY, BUT WHEN A SMALL-TIMER CAN SNEAK OUT ON THAT KIND OF A BOND, HE MUST HAVE SOME BACKING...

... IF THERE'S AN ORGANIZATION, WE'LL BREAK IT! WE'LL RUN EVERY CROOK INTO A CELL... I WANT ARRESTS, ARRESTS, AND MORE ARRESTS! NOW, GET ON IT, ALL OF YOU! OH, GRADY... I WANT YOU TO STAY FOR A FEW MINUTES...

...THE POSSIBILITY OF THERE BEING AN ORGANIZATION SEEMS MORE LOGICAL, THE MORE I THINK OF IT! HOW DOES IT STRIKE YOU?

IF THEY'VE ORGANIZED, CAPTAIN, WE'VE A PRETTY GOOD EXPLANATION OF WHY THE THUGS IN DENTEN HAVE SUDDENLY GOTTEN COCKY!

WE ALSO KNOW THEY MUST HAVE BEEN DESPERATE.

...AND WE'RE SURE GOING TO DISILLUSION THEM, GRADY... THEY ONLY THINK THEY HAVE SECURITY! WHO'S BEEN PUTTING UP THE BAIL?

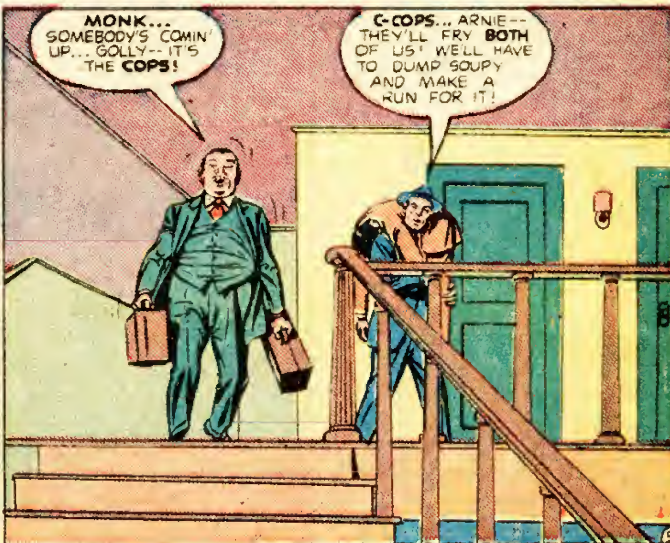
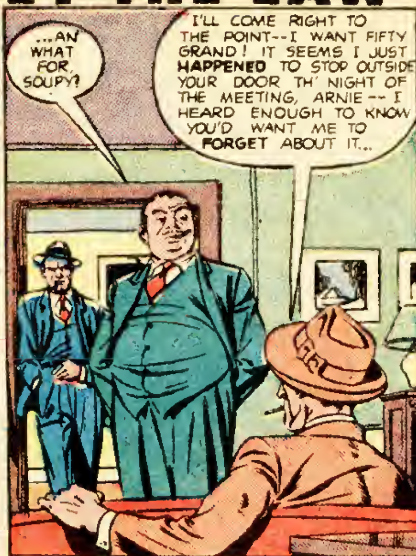
... SOME FELLOW FROM BACK EAST... ARNOLD LOWRY... HAS BEEN SIGNING THE BONDS... BIG OF HIM TO BE THROWING MONEY AROUND LIKE THAT, ISN'T IT?

UH-HUH... I WANT YOU AND JIM MORRIS TO PAY HIM A VISIT!

...WHAT DO YOU WANT SOUPY? I TOLD YOU GUYS TO COME HERE ONLY ON IMPORTANT BUSINESS!

THIS IS IMPORTANT BUSINESS, ARNIE!

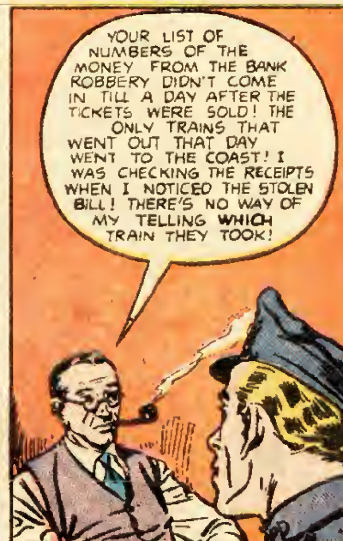
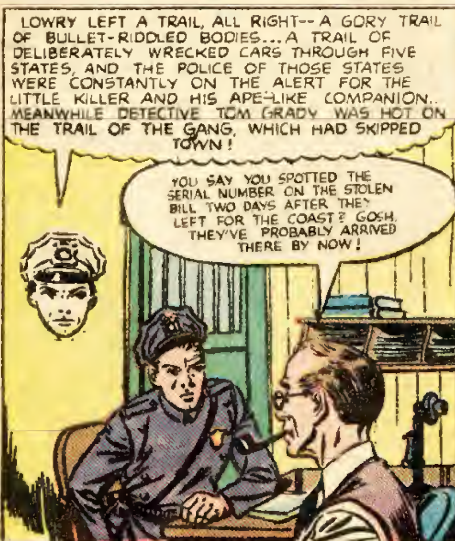
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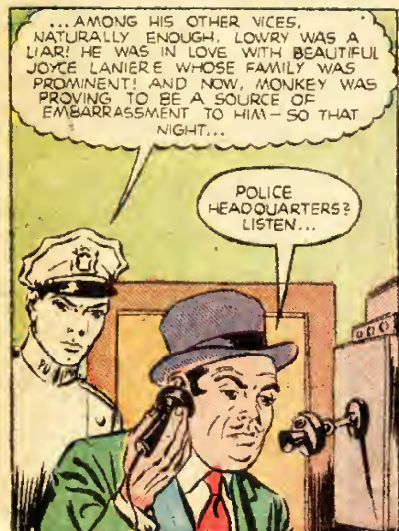
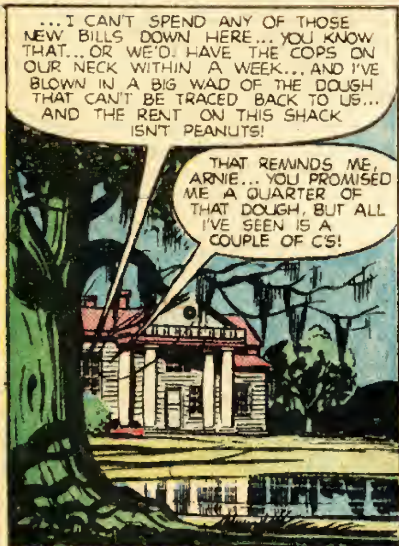
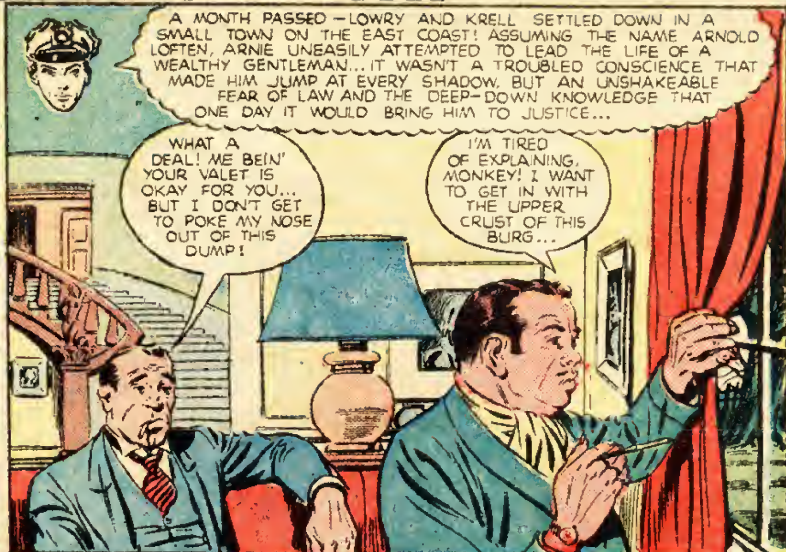
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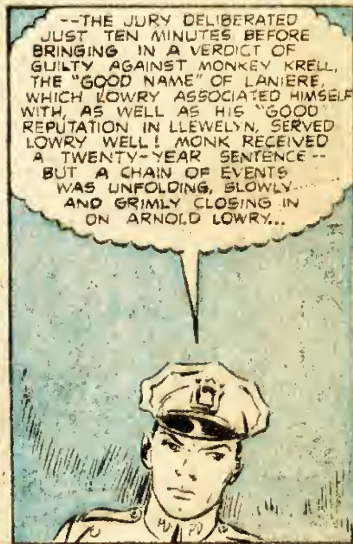
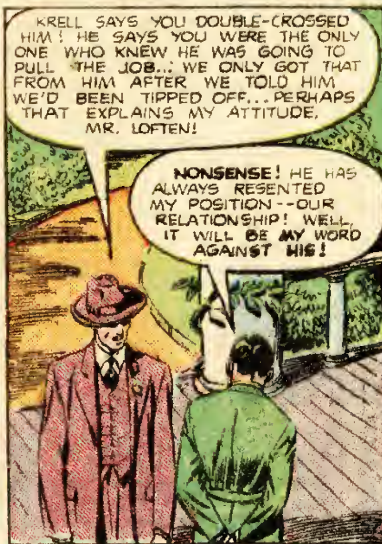
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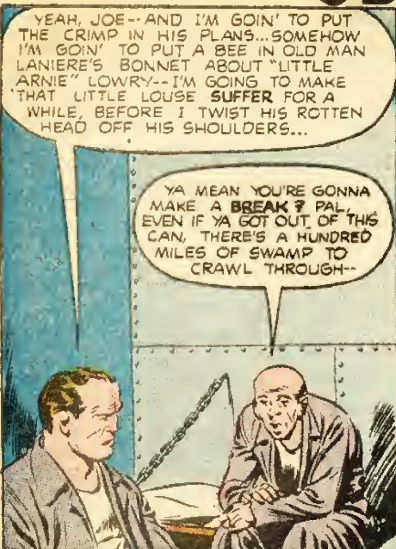
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YEAH, JOE--AND I'M GOIN' TO PUT THE CRIMP IN HIS PLANS...SOMEHOW I'M GOIN' TO PUT A BEE IN OLD MAN LANIERE'S BONNET ABOUT "LITTLE ARNIE" LOWRY--I'M GOING TO MAKE THAT LITTLE LOUSE SUFFER FOR A WHILE, BEFORE I TWIST HIS ROTTEN HEAD OFF HIS SHOULDERS...

YA MEAN YOU'RE GONNA MAKE A BREAK? PAL, EVEN IF YA GOT OUT OF THIS CAN, THERE'S A HUNDRED MILES OF SWAMP TO CRAWL THROUGH--



--JOE, I'LL GET OUT, AND I'LL GO THROUGH FIRE AND WATER...I'LL STARVE...BUT I'M GONNA GET LOWRY! THE COPS CAN GET ME LATER--BUT I'M GONNA GET LOWRY FIRST!



YES, MONKEY KRELL MADE HIS ESCAPE, AND DETECTIVE GRADY ALSO HEADED FOR LLEWELYN... BUT THERE WERE OTHERS! HAVING READ OF LOWRY'S TESTIMONY AGAINST MONK, THE IMPRISONED MEN WHO LOST THEIR FREEDOM THROUGH HIS EFFORTS NO LONGER FELT BOUND BY THEIR STUPID CODE, AND ASKED TO SEE THE WARDEN OF THEIR PENITENTIARY...

I INVITED CAPTAIN BURR TO SIT IN WHEN I HEARD YOU HAD INFORMATION ON LOWRY, MEN...

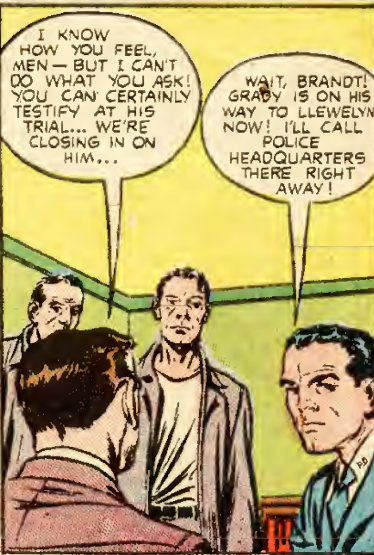


WE'RE NOT PRETENDIN' TO KNOW WHERE LOWRY IS, BUT WE HAVE WAYS OF FINDING OUT... PLEASE, WARDEN BRANDT, LET US OUT ON OUR HONOR...AND WE'LL BRING HIM BACK TO YOU--ALIVE! WE JUST WANT TO SEE HIM! GET HIS YOU CAN EVEN SEND GUARDS WITH US...



I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL, MEN--BUT I CAN'T DO WHAT YOU ASK! YOU CAN CERTAINLY TESTIFY AT HIS TRIAL... WE'RE CLOSING IN ON HIM...

WAIT, BRANDT! GRADY IS ON HIS WAY TO LLEWELYN NOW! I'LL CALL POLICE HEADQUARTERS THERE RIGHT AWAY!



I GOT A CALL FROM DENTON, LIEUTENANT GRADY, JUST BEFORE YOU ARRIVED! LOWRY, THE MAN YOU'RE LOOKING FOR, IS LIVING HERE IN TOWN! HE'S GOING UNDER THE ALIAS OF LOFTEN! CHECKED, AND HE'S NOT AT HOME--BUT HE'S PROBABLY OUT AT THE LANIERE RESIDENCE!

LET'S GET OUT THERE RIGHT AWAY, SHERIFF!



...HE'S A SLIPPERY CHARACTER, GRADY, BUT I'M NOT GIVING HIM A CHANCE TO GET OUT OF LLEWELYN! EXCUSE ME WHILE I CALL BARDLEY!

BARDLEY?... LISTEN...I'M ON MY WAY OUT TO THE LANIERE HOUSE! AFTER LOFTEN! HE'S A GANGSTER, AND DANGEROUS! SEND SOME MEN OUT THERE RIGHT AWAY!



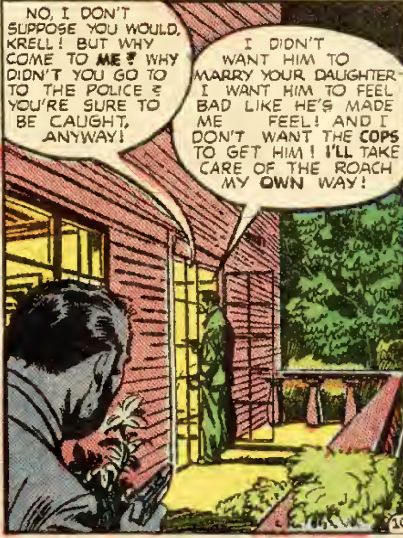
WHY SHOULD I BELIEVE WHAT YOU TELL ME ABOUT THIS MR. LOWRY? YOU'RE AN ESCAPED CRIMINAL--YOU ADMIT THAT YOURSELF...

DO YA THINK I'D RISK MY NECK COMIN' HERE... GOIN' THROUGH INFESTED SWAMPS, JUST TO LET YOU TURN ME INTO THE COPS, IF I WASN'T ON THE LEVEL ABOUT LOWRY?

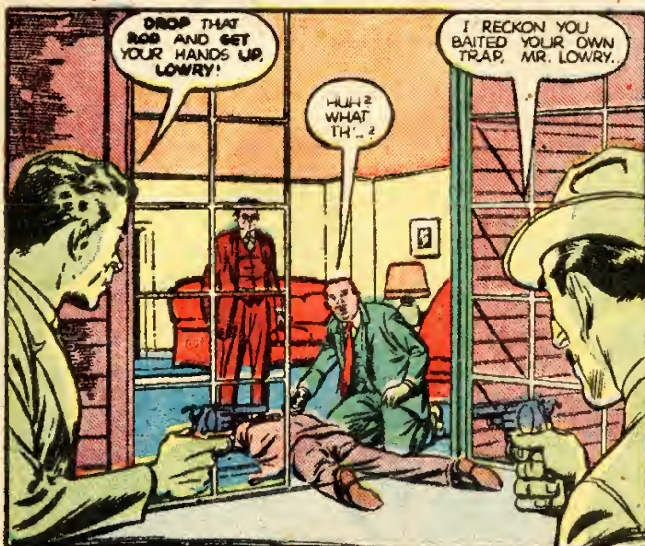


NO, I DON'T SUPPOSE YOU WOULD, KRELL! BUT WHY COME TO ME? WHY DIDN'T YOU GO TO THE POLICE? YOU'RE SURE TO BE CAUGHT, ANYWAY!

I DIDN'T WANT HIM TO MARRY YOUR DAUGHTER! I WANT HIM TO FEEL BAD LIKE HE'S MADE ME FEEL! AND I DON'T WANT THE COPS TO GET HIM! I'LL TAKE CARE OF THE ROACH MY OWN WAY!



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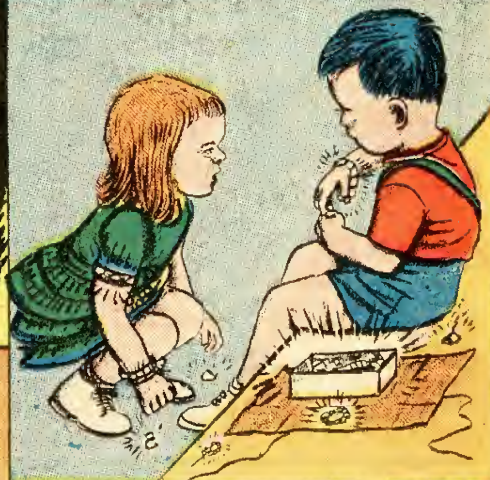
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ON THE LEVEL by C.H. MOORE

WHILE POLICE COMMISSIONER LANE WAS DELIVERING A SPEECH ON THE FOLLY OF CRIME, A VERY FOOLISH THIEF STOLE HIS OVERCOAT! — AN ALERT POLICEMAN STANDING NEAR A SIDE DOOR OF THE AUDITORIUM RECOGNIZED THE COAT AS THE THIEF TRIED TO MAKE A HASTY EXIT WITH IT — THE CROOK GOT 30 DAYS AND A COPY OF LANE'S SPEECH!



CHILDREN WERE FOUND PLAYING WITH SOME JEWELS THEY HAD TAKEN OUT OF AN INSURED PARCEL POST PACKAGE, LEFT AT THE DOOR OF AN APARTMENT — THE PACKAGE AND JEWELRY WERE TURNED OVER TO THE POST OFFICE DEPARTMENT — SINCE IT WAS ONLY INSURED FOR \$5.00, IT WAS THOUGHT TO BE CHEAP COSTUME JEWELRY — HOWEVER WHEN IT WAS MORE CAREFULLY EXAMINED IT TURNED OUT TO BE THE LOOT TAKEN IN A SENSATIONAL JEWEL ROBBERY IN WASHINGTON, D.C.!

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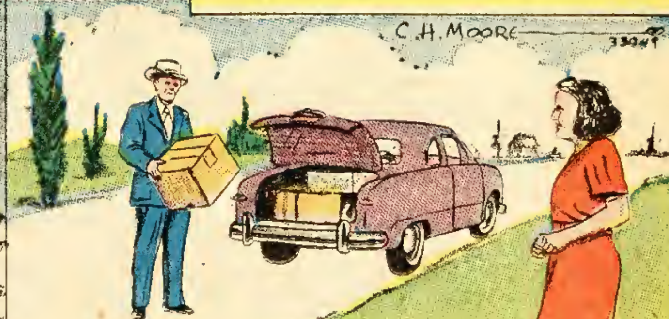
BOB LARKENS WALKED INTO POLICE HEADQUARTERS AND CONFESSED THAT HE WAS A CAR THIEF! LARKENS SAID THAT HIS CONSCIENCE WOULDN'T LET HIM EAT OR SLEEP — SO HE WANTED TO GO STRAIGHT!



A LANDLORD IN OHIO BECAME SUSPICIOUS AND CALLED THE POLICE WHEN A ROOMER PAID HIS \$15 RENT IN NICKELS — 3 WEEKS IN A ROW! THE ROOMER TURNED OUT TO BE A WANTED JUKE BOX BANDIT!



PAUL WOOD of Arkansas — FORGOT THAT HE HAD MOVED THE DAY BEFORE, AND WHILE HE TRIED TO OPEN THE DOOR OF HIS OLD HOUSE WITH A KEY HE STILL HAD, HE WAS MISTAKEN FOR A BURGLAR AND SHOT!



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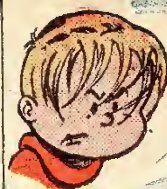
MRS RYAN ACCEPTED A C.O.D. PACKAGE FOR HER NEIGHBOR, WHO WAS NOT AT HOME. WHEN A MAN TRIED TO MAKE THE DELIVERY — HOWEVER, THAT EVENING MRS RYAN LEARNED THAT HER NEIGHBOR HAD NOT ORDERED ANYTHING TO BE SENT C.O.D. SO THE PACKAGE WAS OPENED — IT CONTAINED NOTHING BUT AN ORDINARY STONE — MRS RYAN WAS VICTIM OF A RACKET!

C.H. MOORE

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SHERIFF LES MORRISSEY

THE CONTINUAL STRUGGLE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL--COLD-BLOODED MURDER VERSUS THE COOL-HEADED LAW--- HAS RESULTED IN THOUSANDS OF BREATH-TAKING STORIES! ONE OF THESE IS THE CASE OF THE TELL-TALE HEEL-- A STARTLING MURDER MYSTERY THAT PROBABLY ECLIPSES ANY FICTION STORY! WHO WAS THE KILLER WHO STALKED NAT ILLIS' COTTON PATCH WITH A .22 CALIBRE RIFLE ? WHO WAS THE MURDEROUS CHAIN SMOKER WHO PUFFED HIS WAY INTO THE GAS CHAMBER! WHO WAS THE JEALOUS EX-BOY FRIEND OF MRS. ILLIS WHO WALKED LIKE A PIGEON ? THE ANSWERS TO THESE CRUCIAL QUESTIONS ARE ALL IN...

"THE CASE OF THE TELL-TALE HEEL!"

IT'S ABOUT TIME I TOOK CARE OF THAT NOSEY SHERIFF...

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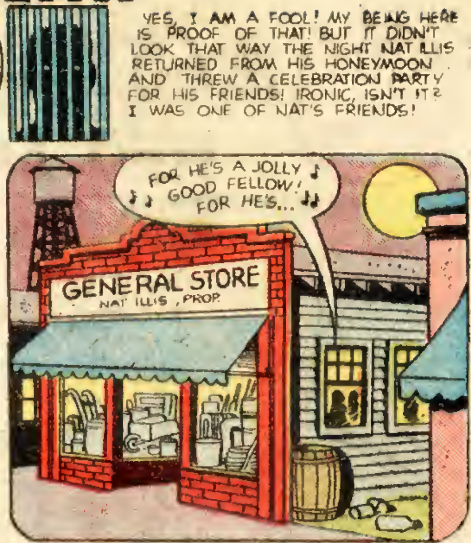
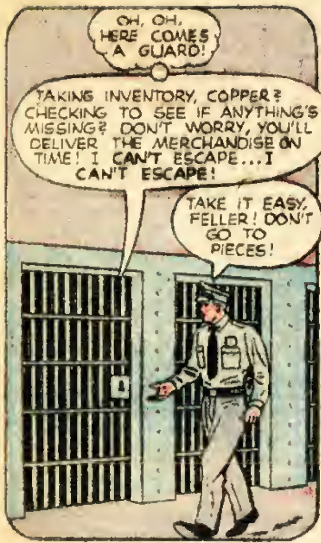
THE TIME IS 11 P.M. THE PLACE IS THE DEATH HOUSE... THE DATE IS DECEMBER 7, 1935

ONE HOUR AND NO. NO. IT'S TOO AWFUL TO THINK ABOUT! THE GAS WILL BILLOW THROUGH THE VENTS AND I'LL STRANGLE WHILE THEY WATCH FROM AIRTIGHT WINDOWS! WHY DIDN'T I REALIZE IT WOULD TURN OUT LIKE THIS BEFORE I MURDERED NAT? ... WHY ?

I'D PLANNED IT SO CAREFULLY! I FIGURED OUT EVERY MOVE THE POLICE MIGHT MAKE! I WAS SO SURE I HAD THEM FOOLED! BUT LOOK AT ME NOW --- LIVING MY LAST HOUR ON EARTH--- SURROUNDED BY STONE WALLS AND IRON BARS... AND AT 12:01 I TAKE MY LAST WALK-INTO THE GAS CHAMBER!

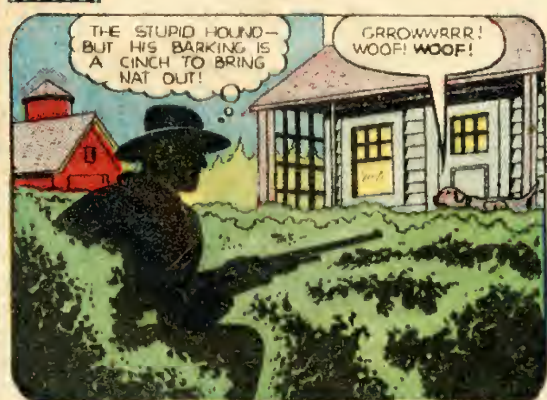
YES, NAT-- YOU MUST BE UP THERE---LAUGHING AT THE FOOL WHO THOUGHT HE COULD GET AWAY WITH MURDER!

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NAT'S BEST FRIENDS HAD BEEN RIVALS FOR THE WOMAN WHO WAS NOW HIS BRIDE! BUT HOW COULD HE GUESS THAT ONE OF US HAD MURDER IN HIS HEART WHILE HE WAS WEARING A SMILE ON HIS LIPS?

"YES, I WAS SOME SWELL LOSER! I MERELY INTENDED TO MURDER THE WINNER! I THOUGHT OF EVERYTHING... PLANNED EVERY STEP FOR A MONTH... UNTIL I WAS 100 PER CENT SATISFIED I'D GET AWAY WITH MURDER! THEN ON SUNDAY NIGHT, OCTOBER 22, 1933, I TOOK UP A VIGIL FACING NAT'S PORCH... HIS DOG NOTICED ME...



OBEY THE LAW



"OH, IT DID MY HEART GOOD TO SEE NAT LYING THERE DEAD, AND THE WOMAN I WANTED TO MARRY GRIEVING OVER HIM! SHE WASN'T GOING TO GRIEVE LONG! I INTENDED TO LET A FEW MONTHS GO BY--THEN PROPOSE! WITH NAT OUT OF THE WAY, MY PATH WAS CLEAR!"



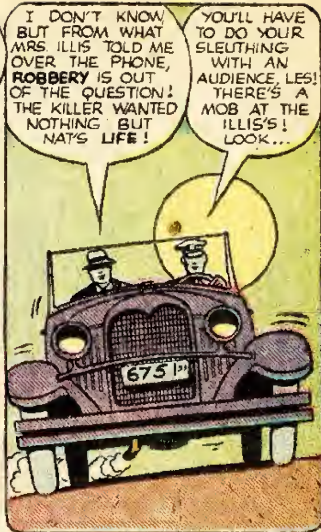
"W-WHAT HAPPENED, JULIE? I HEARD SHOTS! I... WHAT'S WRONG WITH NAT?"

"SOB! HE'S DEAD! MURDERED! GET THE SHERIFF ON THE PHONE!"



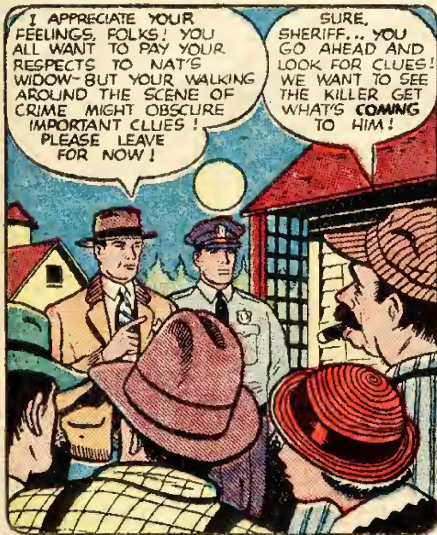
"DID YOU CALL THE CORONER, CHARLEY?"

"YES, LES, HE'S ON HIS WAY DOWN FROM KINGVILLE! I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE NAT ILLIS WAS MURDERED! HE WAS WELL-LIKED BY EVERYONE! WHO'D WANT TO KILL HIM?"



"I DON'T KNOW, BUT FROM WHAT MRS. ILLIS TOLD ME OVER THE PHONE, ROBBERY IS OUT OF THE QUESTION! THE KILLER WANTED NOTHING BUT NAT'S LIFE!"

"YOU'LL HAVE TO DO YOUR SLEUTHING WITH AN AUDIENCE, LES! THERE'S A MOB AT THE ILLIS! LOOK..."



"I APPRECIATE YOUR FEELINGS, FOLKS! YOU ALL WANT TO PAY YOUR RESPECTS TO NAT'S WIDOW--BUT YOUR WALKING AROUND THE SCENE OF CRIME MIGHT OBSCURE IMPORTANT CLUES! PLEASE LEAVE FOR NOW!"

"SURE, SHERIFF... YOU GO AHEAD AND LOOK FOR CLUES! WE WANT TO SEE THE KILLER GET WHAT'S COMING TO HIM!"



"THE CORONER JUST ARRIVED, LES!"

"OKAY, CHARLEY, SHOW HIM THE BODY!"

"NOW, MRS. ILLIS, ARE YOU CERTAIN THE SHOT CAME FROM THE COTTON PATCH?"



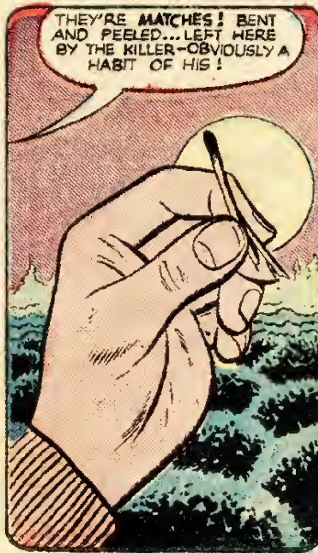
"I'M POSITIVE, SHERIFF!"

"WE'LL HAVE A LOOK AT THAT, PATCH--WE MIGHT FIND SOME CLUES! TRY NOT TO TAKE IT TOO HARD, MRS. ILLIS!"



"HERE'S A FLATTENED SPOT! THE KILLER MUST HAVE SQUATTED HERE, WAITING FOR ILLIS TO COME OUT... WHEN THE DOG BEGAN BARKING!"

"LOOK, LES! ON THE GROUND... SLIVERS OF WOOD!"



"THEY'RE MATCHES! BENT AND PEELED... LEFT HERE BY THE KILLER--OBVIOUSLY A HABIT OF HIS!"



"OR MAYBE HE WANTED US TO THINK SO! NOTICE HOW MANY MATCHES ARE HERE, AND YET NOT ONE CIGARETTE?! PERHAPS THE KILLER DID RELIEVE HIS ANXIETY BY BREAKING MATCHES, BUT IT'S POSSIBLE THAT THEY WERE PLANTED HERE DELIBERATELY TO THROW US OFF THE TRACK!"

"SHERIFF, THE CORONER WANTS TO SEE YOU!"

OBEY THE LAW



A .22 CALIBER RIFLE KILLED ILLIS! SHERIFF! THE KILLER WAS AN EXCELLENT MARKSMAN! ALL THREE BULLETS STRUCK THE VICTIM'S HEART!

THANKS, CORONER, BUT THAT WON'T HELP US MUCH! EVERYBODY IN TOWN HUNTS, AND EVERYBODY OWNS A .22!



"SO FAR, SO GOOD—BUT SHERIFF MORREY HAD JUST BEGUN TO SLEUTH! I FOUND THAT OUT WHEN HE ASKED EVERYBODY WITH A CAR TO TURN HIS HEADLIGHTS ON THE COTTON PATCH WHEN DARKNESS CREPT IN!

OKAY, CHARLEY—LET'S COMB THE FIELD, NOW!



WHY CAN'T WE WAIT TILL DAYLIGHT, SHERIFF?

IT MIGHT RAIN BEFORE DAYLIGHT! RAIN WASHES OUT FOOTPRINTS!

AND SPEAKIN' OF FOOTPRINTS...LOOK!



SOMEBODY WITH A SIZE TEN SHOE AND WHO IS PIGEON-TOED WAS HERE WITHIN THE LAST TWENTY-FOUR HOURS!

A GUY WHO'S PIGEON-TOED AND HAS THE HABIT OF BREAKING UP WOODEN MATCHES? WHAT COULD BE NEATER, LEE?



IT'S A LITTLE TOO NEAT, CHARLEY! THESE CLUES ARE TOO OBVIOUS! OUR KILLER MUST BE COUNTING ON OUR FINDING THE CLUES—AND THE MAN TO FIT THEM! YOU'LL SEE WHAT I MEAN TOMORROW!



YOU WANTED TO SEE ME, SHERIFF? ER... WHAT ABOUT?

DO YOU ALWAYS BREAK WOODEN MATCHES LIKE THAT, JOE?



ALWAYS! EXCEPT SOMETIMES I FEEL THEM! W-WHYY? ANYTHING WRONG WITH THAT?



NOTHING! TELL ME DO YOU KNOW ANYBODY IN TOWN WHO'S PIGEON-TOED?

SURE, I DO.—NICK HERBERT THAT RUNS THAT GARAGE ON THE CORNER OF MAIN AND FIFTH! HE'S PIGEON-TOED!



WHAT SIZE SHOE DO YOU WEAR, NICK?

SIZE TEN—THAT'S NOT TOO BIG FOR A GUY MY SIZE, BUT THESE CONARNED PIGEON-TOES! THERE ISN'T A TAP THAT THEY DON'T EMBARRASS ME! BY THE WAY, SOMEBODY STOLE A PAIR OF MY SHOES LAST WEEK!



SEE WHAT I MEAN, CHARLEY? A MURDERER DOESN'T LEAVE CUTE CLUES AROUND EXCEPT DELIBERATELY! THE KILLER STOLE NICK'S SHOES AND IMITATED NICK'S MODE OF WALKING! I WANT TO TALK TO MRS. ILLIS...

IT WAS THEN THAT I KNEW SOMETHING WAS WRONG! I'D WATCHED JOE MAFFEK'S GROCERY AND NICK'S GAS STATION ALL MORNING!

OBEY THE LAW

WHEN MORISSEY WALKED AWAY FROM MAFFEK'S GROCERY AND NICK'S GAS STATION WITHOUT MAKING ANY ARRESTS, I FELT A HAND CLOSE AROUND MY HEART!

CERTAINLY, SHERIFF! THERE WERE JOE MAFFEK, NICK HERBERT, WILL JOHNS, HUBERT BURNS, AND FRED BARBERRY! BUT THEY WERE ALL GOOD FRIENDS OF NAT'S TOO!

TRY AND GUESS WHICH ONE, SHERIFF! THAT IS— IF YOU LIVE LONG ENOUGH!

"THAT NIGHT I KILLED NAT'S DOG! I FIGURED THE SHERIFF MIGHT TRY AN IDENTIFICATION STUNT WITH THE MUTT! I WASN'T TAKING ANY CHANCES!

MRS. ILLIS, SOMEONE MURDERED YOUR HUSBAND BECAUSE OF YOU! OTHER MEN COURTED YOU BEFORE YOU MARRIED NAT! I WANT YOU TO GIVE ME THEIR NAMES!

BANG!
BANG!

BUT THAT WAS THE NIGHT I COOKED MY GOOSE...

I'LL BET THE KILLER WASN'T PIGEON-TOED TONIGHT! CHARLEY! SEARCH THE COTTON PATCH! THE GROUND'S PLENTY SOFT!

THE KILLER KNOWS WE DIDN'T SWALLOW HIS CLUES! THAT'S WHY HE KILLED SPOT! HE WAS AFRAID OF BEING RECOGNIZED BY THE DOG!

WELL, HE OUGHT TO BE SHAKING IN HIS BOOTS NOW! LOOK AT THIS!

I'M GOING TO TAKE CARE OF THAT MEDDLIN' SHERIFF! THERE'S NO TELLIN' WHAT THEY'VE RUN ACROSS, NOW!

A HEEL-PRINT! WITH THE WORD "CUSHION" AS PLAIN AS DAY! THIS IS OUR CHANCE TO CATCH A HEEL BY A HEEL!

THEY'VE FOUND SOMETHING! I KNOW THEY HAVE! I'VE GOTTA KILL 'EM BOTH!

BANG!

EGASP! LET'S GET AFTER HIM, SHERIFF! I'M ONLY SCRATCHED!

IT'S THE KILLER! HE MISSED ME! HE DUCKED DOWN IN THE BRUSH! HE MUST'VE BEEN SHADOWING US, AND THE SUSPENSE OF WONDERING HOW CLOSE WE WERE DROVE HIM TO DESPERATION!

I CAN'T SHOOT IT OUT! THEY'LL KILL ME SURE! I'VE GOT TO GET BACK TO THE CAR!

BANG!
BANG!

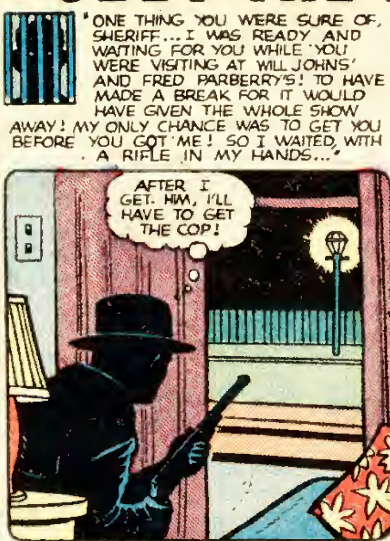
THERE HE GOES, SHERIFF! I CAN'T TELL THE COLOR OF HIS CAR... IT'S TOO DARK...

IT DOESN'T MATTER, CHARLEY! HE LEFT A DOZEN HEEL-PRINTS... ALL WITH "CUSHION" PLAINLY MARKED IN THE EARTH! WE'VE ONLY TO FIND OUT WHO'S WEARING THE "TELL-TALE HEEL" TO FIND OUR MURDERER!

OBEY THE LAW



FIRST, CHARLEY, WE'RE DROPPING YOU OFF AT A DOCTOR. SECOND I'M DROPPING IN ON EACH OF MRS. ILLIS' FORMER BEAUS FOR A SHOE INSPECTION-AND HEAVEN HELP THE GUY WITH THE CUSHIONED HEEL!



ONE THING YOU WERE SURE OF, SHERIFF... I WAS READY AND WAITING FOR YOU WHILE YOU WERE VISITING AT WILL JOHN'S AND FRED PARBERRY'S! TO HAVE MADE A BREAK FOR IT WOULD HAVE GIVEN THE WHOLE SHOW AWAY! MY ONLY CHANCE WAS TO GET YOU BEFORE YOU GOT ME! SO I WAITED, WITH A RIFLE IN MY HANDS...

AFTER I GET HIM, I'LL HAVE TO GET THE COP!



THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH YOURS, WILL, EXCEPT THAT IT'S RUN DOWN!



CREPE SOLES, SHERIFF! THAT'S ALL I WEAR! IT DRIVES MY SISTER CRAZY! THEY MARK UP THE KITCHEN FLOOR!

AS LONG AS THEY DON'T MARK UP COTTON PATCHES, FRED...



WHERE IS HE? WHAT IS HE WAITING FOR? WHY DOESN'T HE COME AN GET ME?

BURNS IS A BIGGER FOOL THAN I THOUGHT! DID HE REALLY EXPECT ME TO WALK UP THE FRONT PATH AND BE A TARGET FOR HIM...?

EVENING, HUBERT! LOOKING FOR ME?



DROP IT, HUBERT! I KNOW YOU'RE THE MURDERER!



I'M NOT GOING TO THE GAS CHAMBER-NOT IF I CAN HELP IT!



I'LL SEE THAT YOU DO!



M-MY LEG!

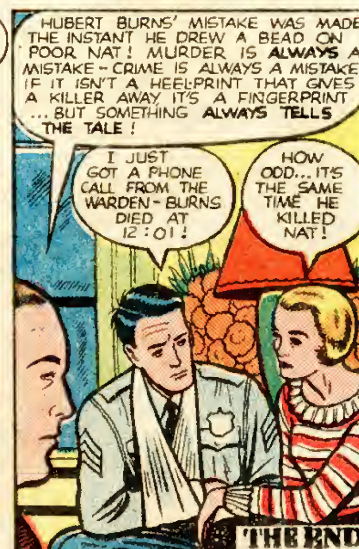


YOU OUTSMARTED YOURSELF, HUBERT! YOU WERE GETTING NERVOUS ABOUT HOW MUCH I KNEW, AND YOU PUT YOUR FOOT INTO IT... AND I DO MEAN FOOT!



OKAY, HUBERT, THIS IS IT! NICE AND QUIET, NOW-NO USE MAKING A FUSS! YOU'VE GOT A DATE WITH THE UNDERTAKER, AND YOU CAN'T BREAK IT!

N-NO! IT CAN'T TURN OUT LIKE THIS! I CAN'T DIE! I PLANNED IT SO CAREFULLY! WHERE DID I MAKE MY MISTAKE?



HUBERT BURNS' MISTAKE WAS MADE THE INSTANT HE DREW A BEAD ON POOR NAT! MURDER IS ALWAYS A MISTAKE-CRIME IS ALWAYS A MISTAKE! IF IT ISN'T A HEELPRINT THAT GIVES A KILLER AWAY IT'S A FINGERPRINT... BUT SOMETHING ALWAYS TELLS THE TALE!

I JUST GOT A PHONE CALL FROM THE WARDEN-BURNS DIED AT 12:01!

HOW ODD... IT'S THE SAME TIME HE KILLED NAT!

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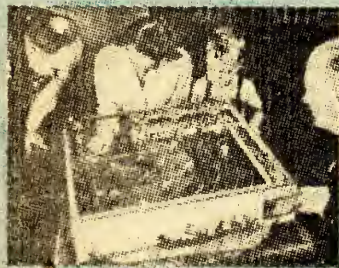
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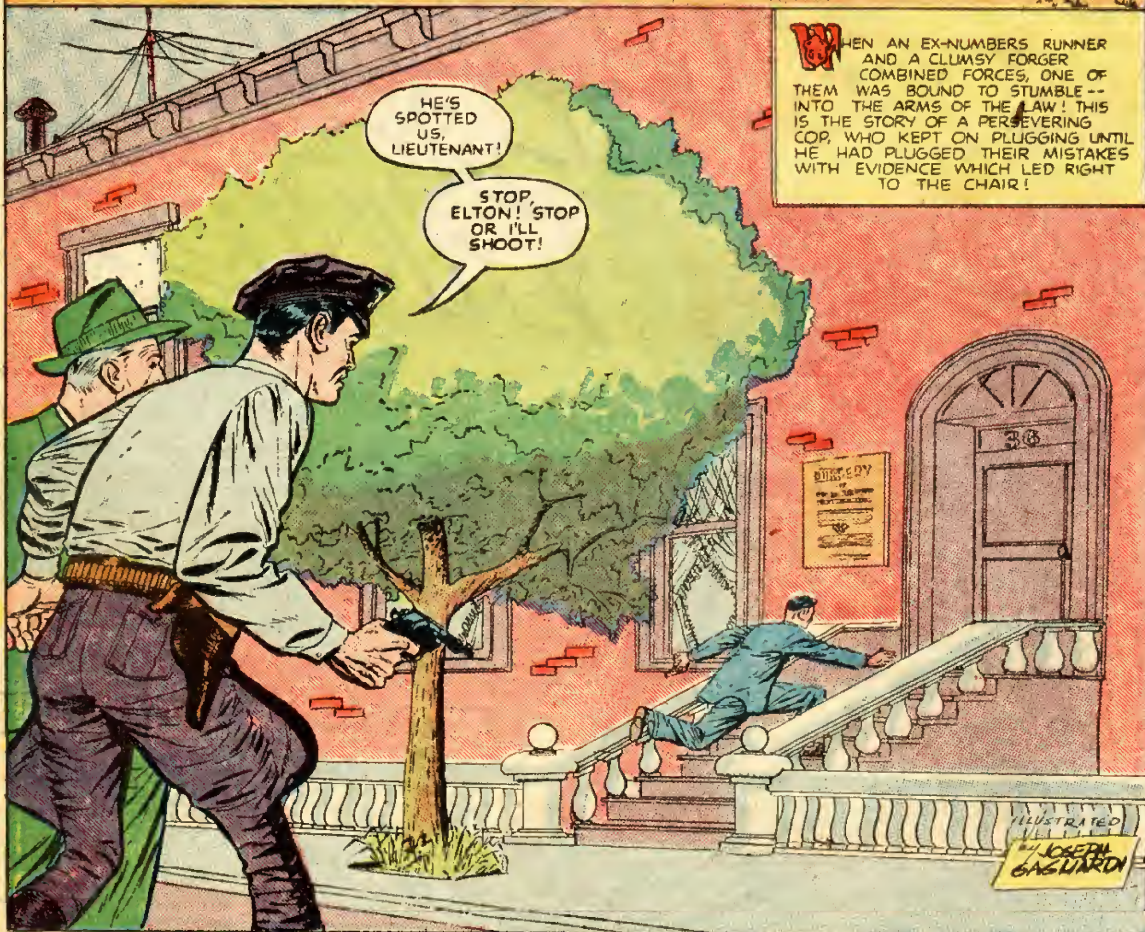
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ALLIED SHEET METAL, INC.? THAT'S A NEW ONE ON ME--AND HE SAYS HE WORKS FOR THEM?

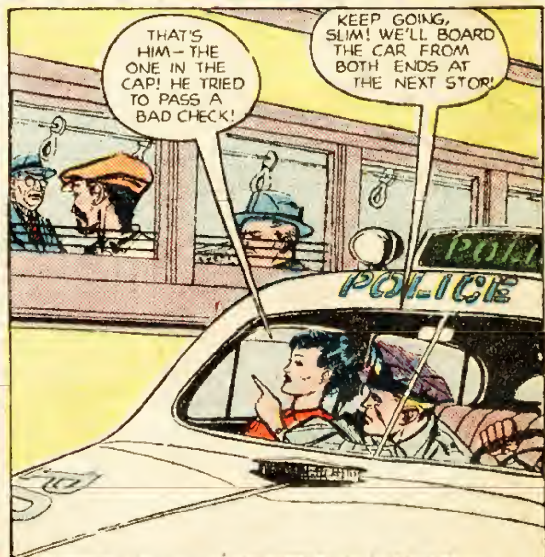
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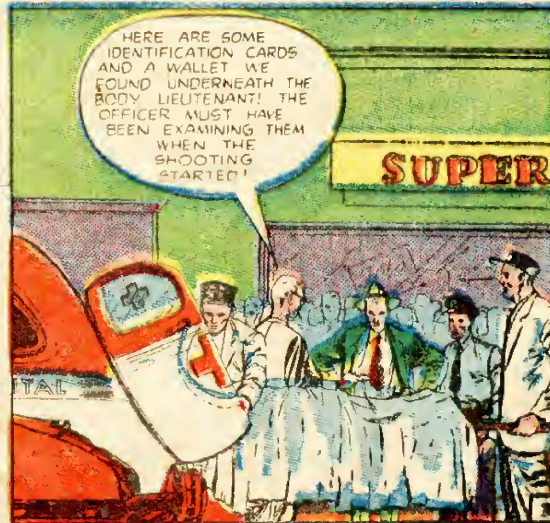
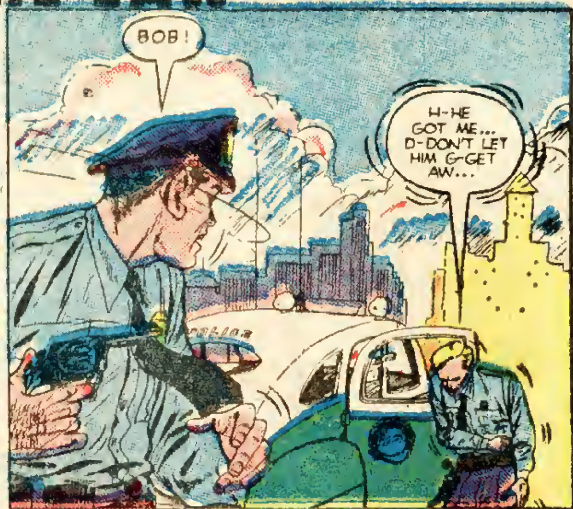
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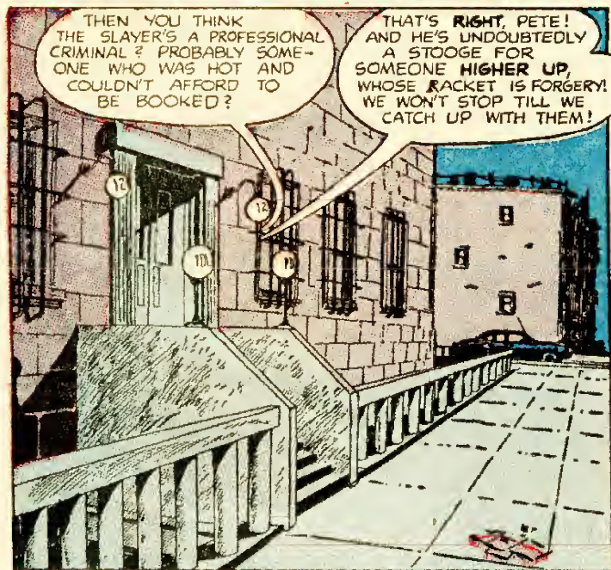
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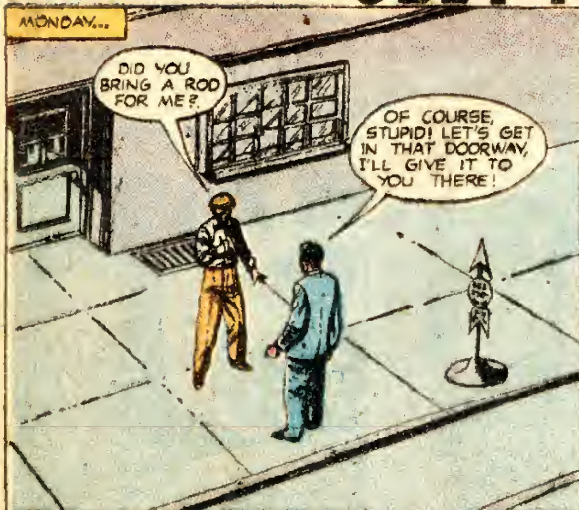
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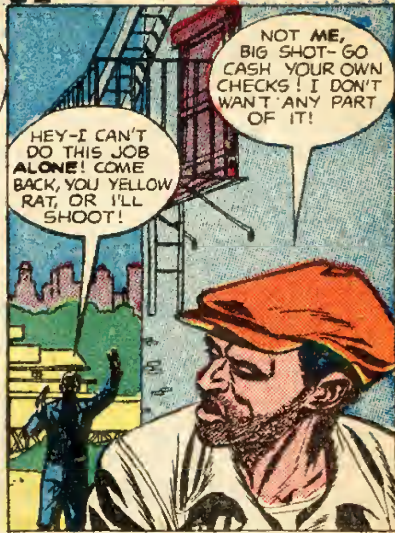


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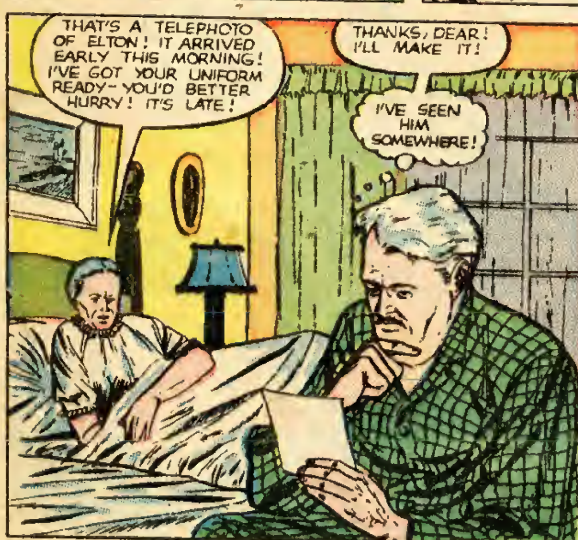
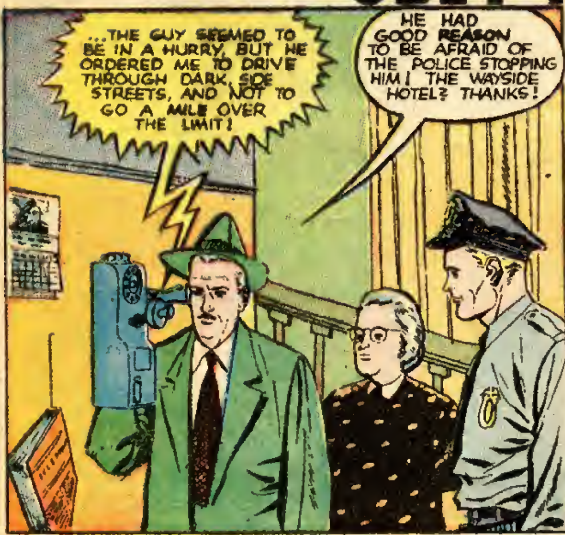


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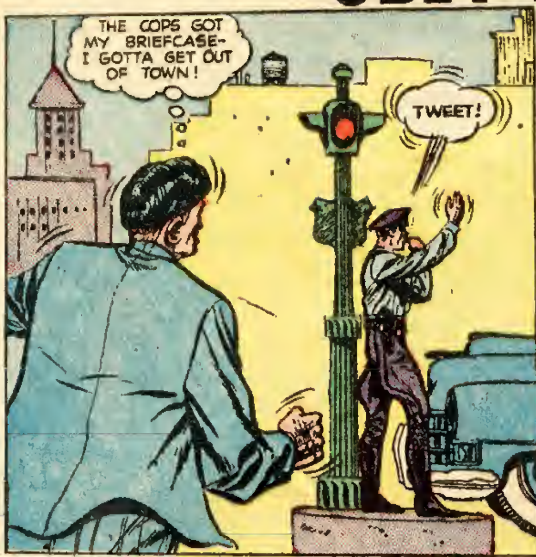
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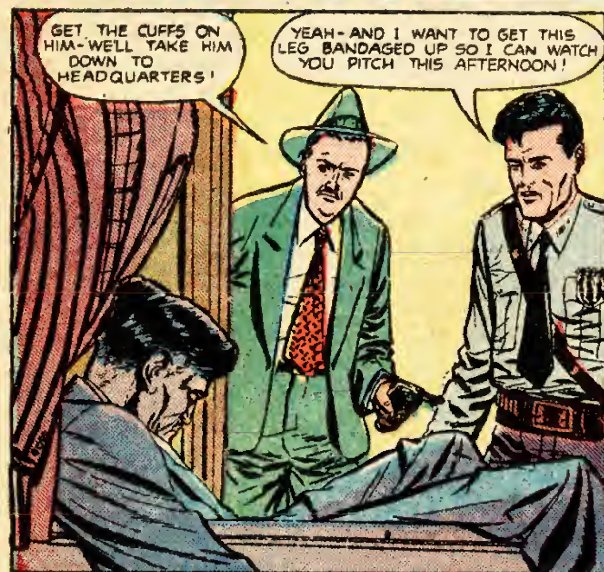
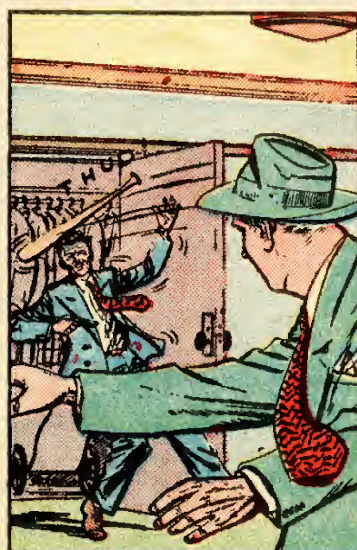
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Dear Reader:

In every issue of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT this page is devoted to your opinions, ideas and suggestions. Since the conception of CRIME AND PUNISHMENT, we have been guided by two ideals—first, the eradication of crime, and second, to give credit to the fearless detectives and officers of the law who daily risk their lives that you and we may live in a more lawful society.

CHARLES BIRO and BOB WOOD, Editors

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Marie Demange
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1470 Fort St.
Honolulu, Hawaii

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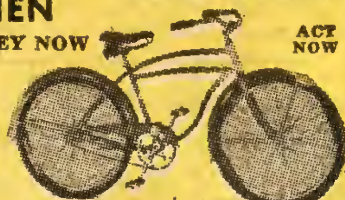
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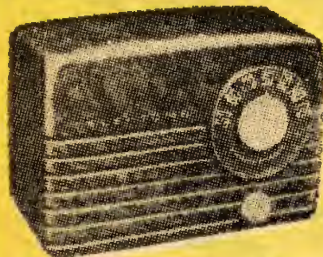


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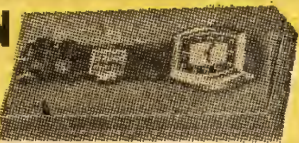


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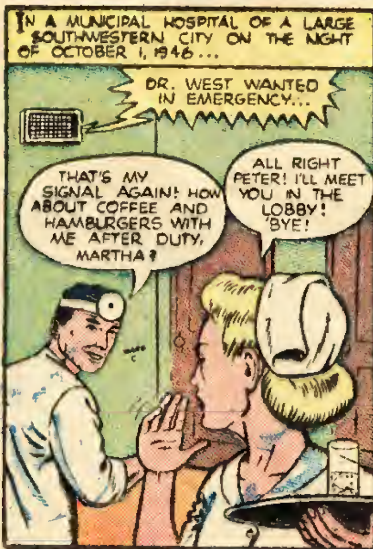
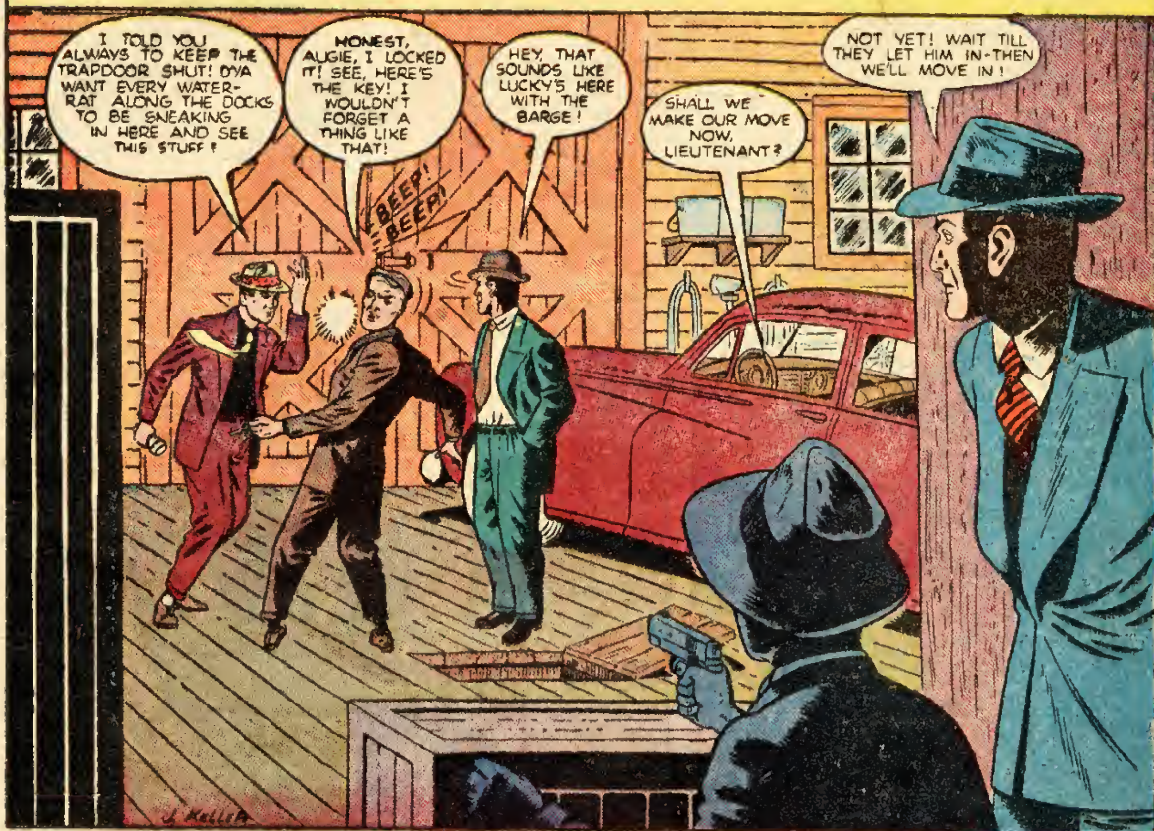
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(A TWO-FISTED COP WHOSE
HARD-HITTING BLOWS KNOCKED
TWO MURDERERS INTO THE
ARMS OF JUSTICE!)

(A RUTHLESS HOODLUM
WHO SIGNED HIS OWN
DEATH WARRANT WITH
A DOUBLE-CROSS!)



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YOU'RE ABSOLUTELY RIGHT, NURSE! CALL THE POLICE, AND MAKE IT SNAPPY! THIS MAN'S BEEN STABBED TWICE! HE MAY NOT LIVE LONG ENOUGH TO TALK!

TOR--CHY
--HE--
OW-OW-W!



THIS IS THE MAN, LIEUTENANT HOFFMAN! HE'S GOING FAST BUT I THINK WE CAN GET HIM TO TALK!

WHY IT'S
BIG ED
CARROLL,
THE
GAMBLER!

IT LOOKS
LIKE HE FLASHED
A BIG ROLL
ONCE TOO
OFTEN!



WHO DID IT? ED-- WHO DID IT? YOU'RE NOT GOING TO LET HIM GET AWAY WITH IT, ARE YOU?

I'D DO IT... MY OWN WAY... COPPER... KEPT-- I KNOW I... COUGH! GOING! GET TORCHY LEE, COPPER!



HOW ABOUT GIVING HIM A STIMULANT, DOCTOR? I'D LIKE TO GET AS MUCH FROM HIM AS POSSIBLE BEFORE HE DIES!

HE'S TOLD YOU ALL HE'S GOING TO, LIEUTENANT HOFFMAN!

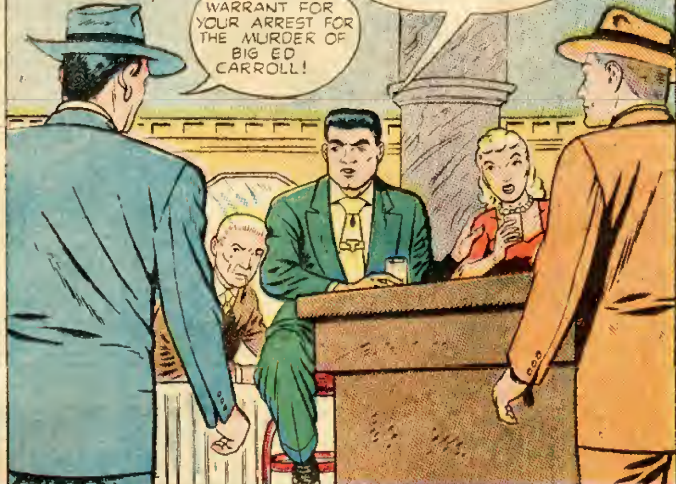
IT'S MURDER! THIS IS WHAT WE NEED TO BREAK UP THAT TORCHY LEE MOB! THAT SLICK GUY LEFT TOO MUCH EVIDENCE THIS TIME!



TORCHY LEE?

I'VE GOT A WARRANT FOR YOUR ARREST FOR THE MURDER OF BIG ED CARROLL!

YEAH, SURE-- EXCUSE ME, -HONEY! WHAT'S UP, FLATFOOT?



I KNEW I SHOULD'VE USED A ROD INSTEAD OF THAT CHEESE CARVER! THIS'LL MEAN THE CHAIR IF I'M CAUGHT!

IT'S A COPPER BOYS! LET'S MAKE A BREAK FOR IT!



DON'T MAKE A MOVE ANY OF YOU!

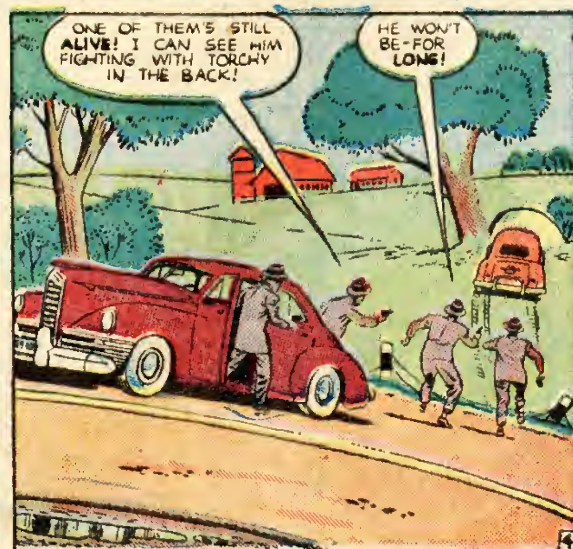
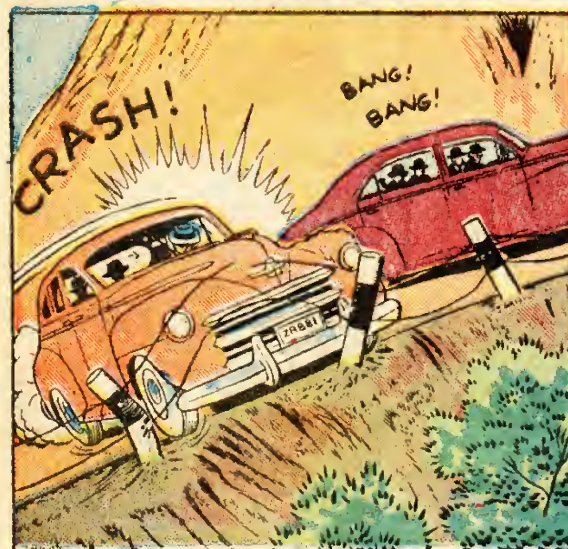
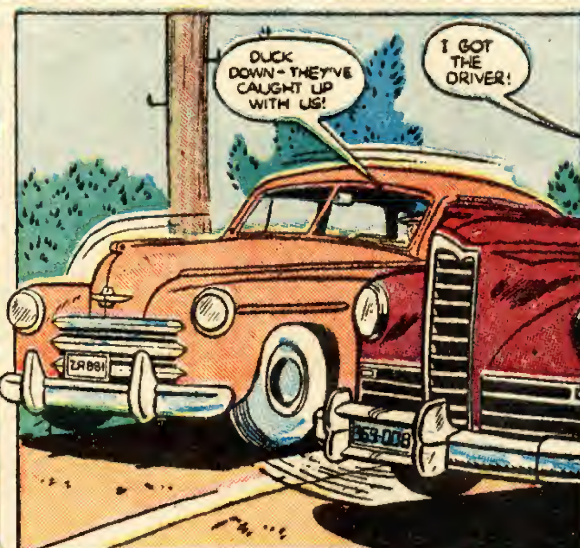
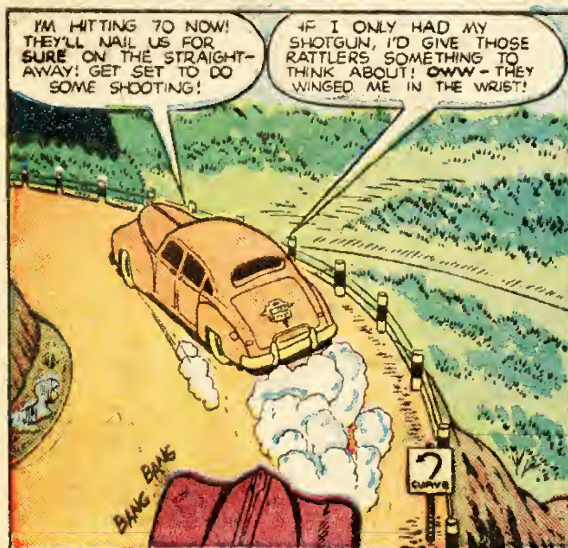
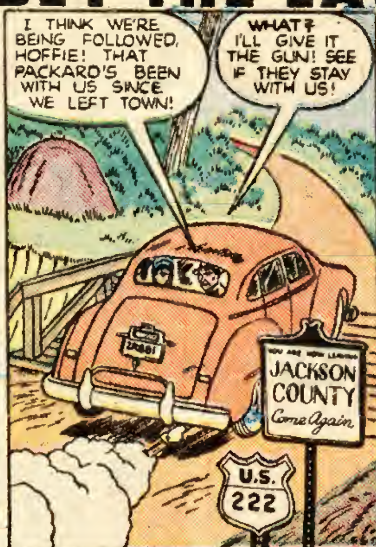
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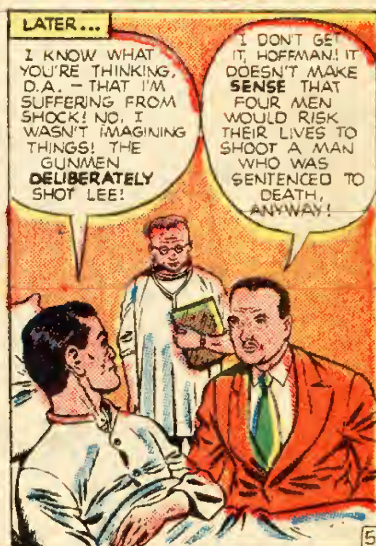
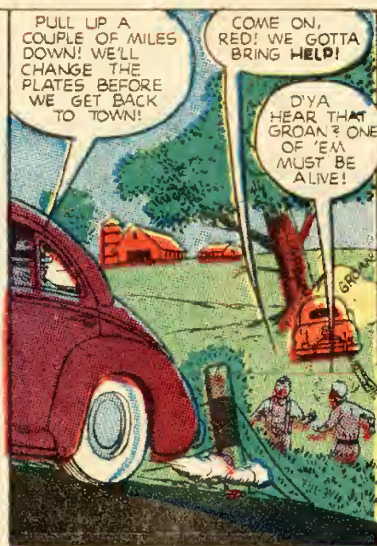
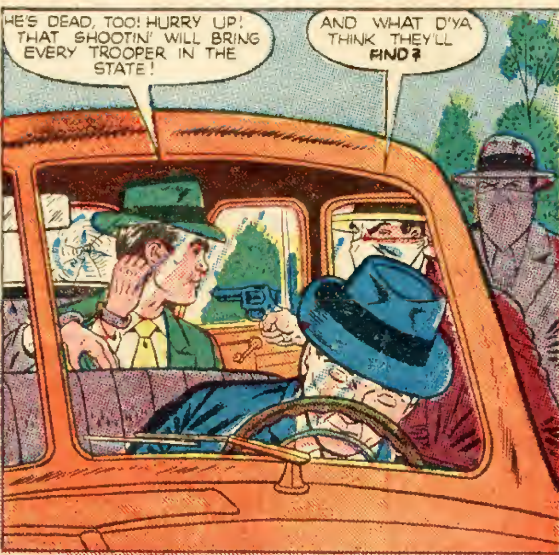
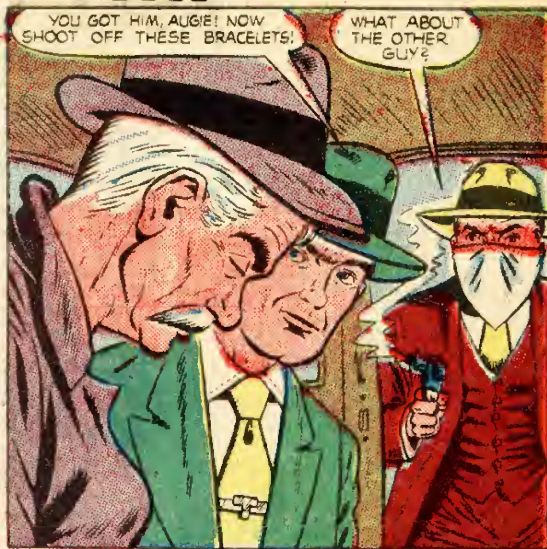
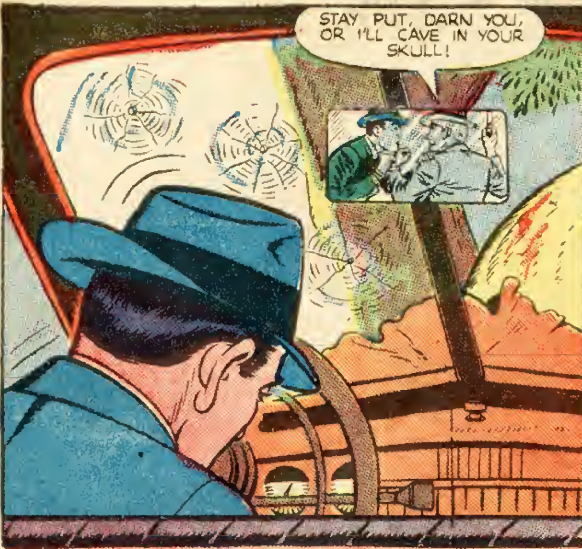
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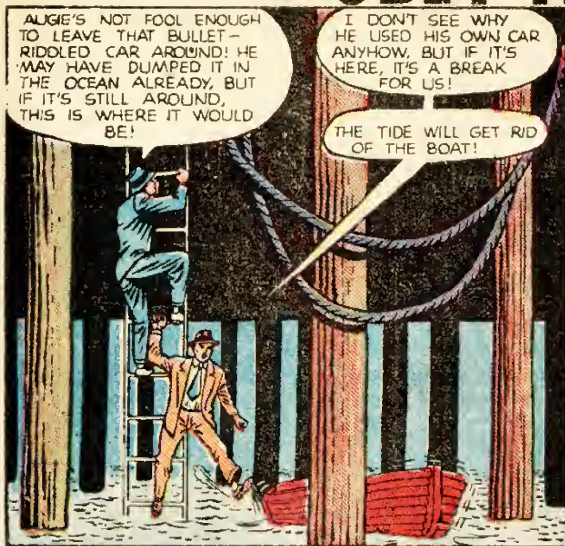
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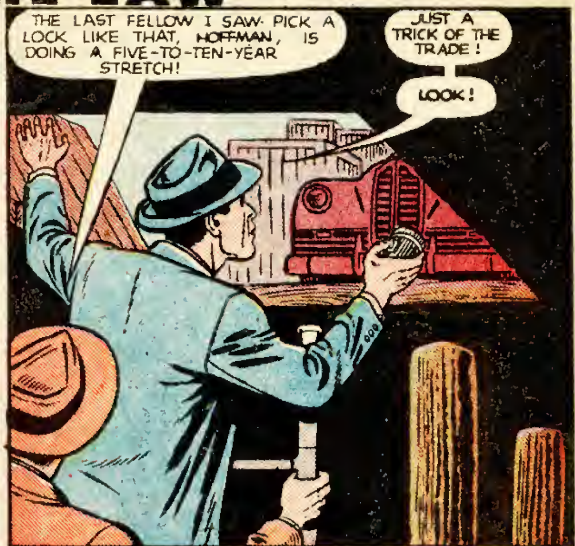
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AUGIE'S NOT FOOL ENOUGH TO LEAVE THAT BULLET-RIDDLED CAR AROUND! HE MAY HAVE DUMPED IT IN THE OCEAN ALREADY, BUT IF IT'S STILL AROUND, THIS IS WHERE IT WOULD BE!

I DON'T SEE WHY HE USED HIS OWN CAR ANYHOW, BUT IF IT'S HERE, IT'S A BREAK FOR US!

THE TIDE WILL GET RID OF THE BOAT!



THE LAST FELLOW I SAW PICK A LOOK LIKE THAT, HOFFMAN, IS DOING A FIVE-TO-TEN-YEAR STRETCH!

JUST A TRICK OF THE TRADE!

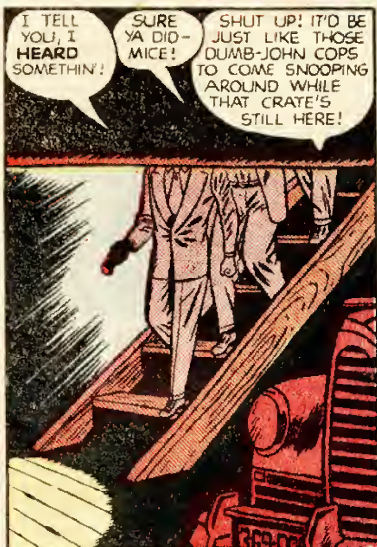
LOOK!



IT'S THE PACKARD, ALL RIGHT! LOOK AT THE BULLET HOLES—THE SHERIFF MUST HAVE DONE SOME GOOD SHOOTING BEFORE HE GOT HIT!

AND THERE'S THE SHATTERED WINDOW! THE KIDS MENTIONED! THIS IS THE EVIDENCE WE—

DOUSE THAT LIGHT! LET'S DUCK BEHIND THOSE CRATES!



I TELL YOU, I HEARD SOMETHING!

SURE YA DID—MICE!

SHUT UP! IT'D BE JUST LIKE THOSE DUMB-JOHN COPS TO COME SNOOPING AROUND WHILE THAT CRATE'S STILL HERE!



YOU SEE? THERE'S NOBODY HERE!

YEAH, I GUESS YOU'RE RIGHT, BUT JUST THE SAME, I'LL FEEL A LOT BETTER WHEN THAT CAR'S AT THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!

SO WILL I!



TOO BAD I DIDN'T HAVE THE TOMMY-GUN WITH ME! THOSE COPS WOULDN'T HAVE HAD THE CHANCE TO PUT HOLES IN A SWELL JOB LIKE THIS!

HEY, AUGIE—HOW COME THE TRAP DOOR'S OPEN?



I TOLD YOU TO ALWAYS KEEP THAT SHUT! DO YOU WANT EVERY WATER RAT ALONG THE DOCKS TO BE SNEAKING IN HERE AND SEE THIS STUFF!

HONEST, AUGIE—I LOCKED—IT! HERE'S THE KEY! I WOULDN'T FORGET WHAT YOU SAID! HONEST! OUCH!



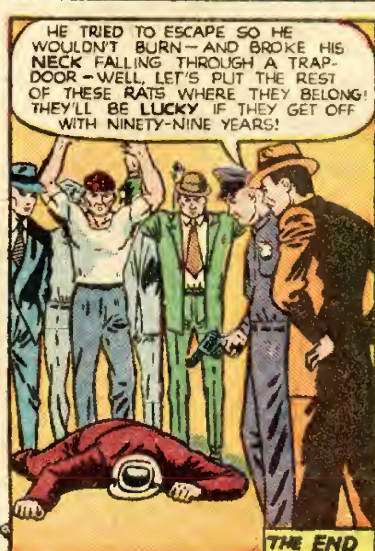
NO, HE WOULDN'T FORGET—WOULD YA, JOEY?

THAT SOUNDS LIKE LUCKY'S HERE WITH THE BARGE!

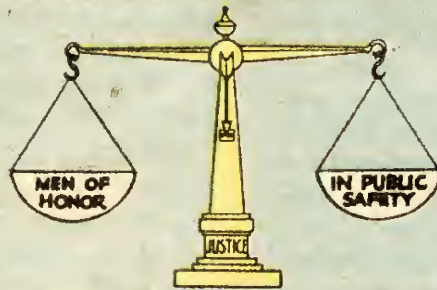
JOEY, START HER UP—AND SEE IF YOU CAN DO THIS RIGHT!

BEEP! BEEP!

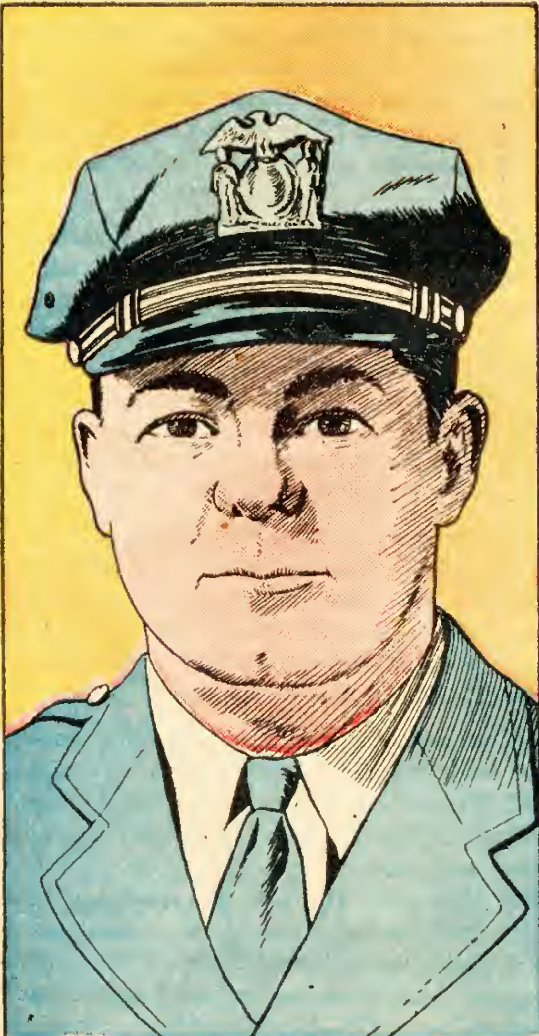
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OUR POLICE HALL OF FAME



**CHIEF RICHARD N. TUCKER
ISLIP, LONG ISLAND, N.Y.**



WITHIN A WEEK after Chief of Police Richard N. Tucker's return to Islip from three years in Naval Intelligence, the first of a series of fires that caused thousands of dollars damage occurred. Islip has a population of 60,000 and covers over 25 square miles. Within a period of three weeks seven serious fires were started in commercial buildings, and in each case there was ample evidence of arson, but no clue to the criminals.

"Frankly," Chief Tucker related, "I didn't know what to do. I had all my men doing double duty, and alerted all the townspeople, but the fires continued. Fortunately, they were all set when the buildings were empty, so there was no loss of life. Arsonists are a special brand of criminals. They are mentally ill, and very dangerous. Their crimes are carefully planned. How did we know that the next fire would not be in an apartment house?" Chief Tucker went through the general routine of police work, checking the strangers in town, and hunting for witnesses, but all to no avail.

One evening, while puzzling over his problem, the chief got an idea. "It is generally true that arsonists set fires because they love to watch flames. It gives them a thrill. Yet, all of the fires had been in lonely parts of town, and when the police and fire departments arrived, there was no one around. Was it possible then, that the criminal was a member of the fire department? This thought kept running

through my mind, and it seemed logical. In order to get full satisfaction out of setting a fire, the arsonist must watch it; the safest way to do so would be as a member of the fire department.

"Our fire department is composed of professional firemen and a larger group of volunteers. I immediately, tactfully investigated our professional firemen, most of whom I have known for many years. Much to my relief, I found them all above reproach and certainly not arsonists. Then I checked on the volunteers. This wasn't too easy, as a different group generally turned out for each fire.

"My first move was to get a list of all volunteers who had helped fight the latest series of fires. I found that only five men had attended all the fires, and that three of these men had joined the volunteers only a few weeks before the first fire was set. This looked like a lead, but I had to find some way to trap them. I spent some time discussing the fires with the volunteers, and especially with these five men. I soon eliminated two men, who were old-time volunteers, lived within two blocks of the firehouse and generally were on hand to help out. The other three men, however, lived quite a distance from the firehouse, and it seemed strange that they were all 'just strolling' in the vicinity of the firehouse when the alarm was rung. I began spending most of my time in the fire station, because I was sure the criminals would repeat their crime. Sure enough, one evening at about twelve o'clock, a call came in from a home on the outskirts of town. Immediately the town alarm was sounded and at precisely this moment the three men under suspicion wandered in, ready for action. This could not be coincidence. I went out with the firemen and found the home in flames. It took three hours to get the fire under control."

Chief Tucker's next move was to sound two false alarms, confiding his plan only to the head of the fire department. On neither occasion were any of the three men around to help fight the fire. He knew then that these were the men he was after. The conviction of an arsonist is generally extremely difficult, however, as they are rarely caught in the act. "It was impossible for me, or any of my men, to trail them, as they knew us on sight, so I called a police friend of mine from a neighboring town and asked him

to follow one of the men. He and his two assistants were prepared to stick with the man day and night. I served as one of the night reliefs, since it would be difficult for the arsonist to recognize me after dark. I had a special muffler built for the car so that we could use it without being heard.

"We followed the man for six days and nights before our break came. Early one morning, when everyone was asleep, I heard footsteps approaching the man's home. From my position, half a block away, I could not recognize the faces of the people coming to his house but I knew that both were men. After about twenty minutes the three of them came out and got into a car. I quietly started my motor and followed at a safe distance, without lights. They drove for about ten miles and stopped. I left my car and moved closer. Fortunately, they were too busy to hear me, and I was soon within twenty feet of them, stationed behind a tree. Working quickly, they took out a five-gallon oil can and some gasoline-soaked rags. As they were about to light a match, I moved in and made the arrest. There was no struggle, and I took them back to town and booked them for 'arson.'"

It is this intelligent kind of work that makes Chief Tucker one of the most capable and admired police chiefs in America. He entered police work at 21, and slowly worked his way up to his present position. Chief Tucker feels that democracy is all important in police work. "It is ability alone that counts," he says. "Any man who is capable can work his way up to become a leader of policemen."

Police work is more than a job for Chief Tucker. It is a way of life. Proof of this is the fact that some years ago, Chief Tucker arrested one of his closest friends on a charge of misappropriation of funds. "I did it as tactfully as possible, but I had to do my duty."

The chief feels that the youth of this country are being brought up with so many advantages that there is little tendency for them to become criminals. "Better education makes better citizens, and most young people today are fairly well educated. The average youngster gets plenty of freedom, exercise and normal social life, and hence will probably turn out to be a normal adult, devoid of criminal tendencies."

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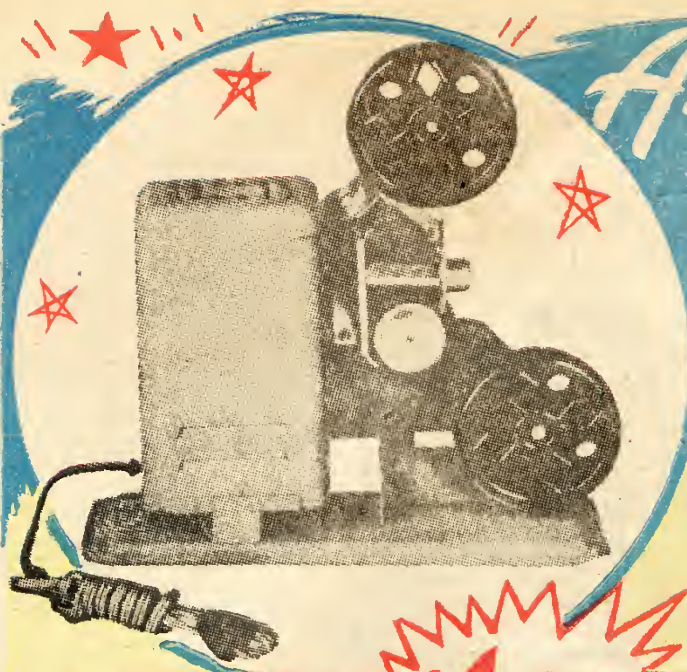


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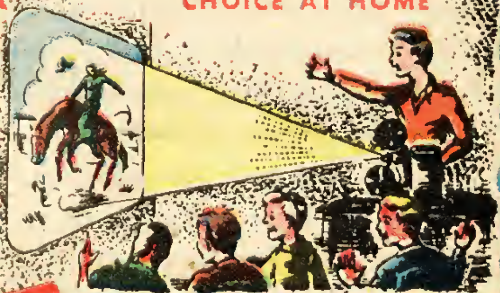
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